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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

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RICHARD KADREY, ET AL., )  
INDIVIDUAL AND REPRESENTATIVE )  
PLAINTIFFS, ) LEAD CASE NO.  
v. ) 3:23-cv-03417-VC  
META PLATFORMS, INC., )  
DEFENDANT. )  
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VIDEO-RECORDED 30(B) (6) DEPOSITION OF

MICHAEL CLARK

VOLUME III

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1       Hugo Touvron; Soumya, S-o-u-m-y-a, Batra; Todor,  
2       T-o-d-o-r, M-i-h-a-y-l-o-v; Sharan Narang,  
3       S-h-a-r-a-n, N-a-r-a-n-g; and Thomas Scialom,  
4       T-h-o-m-a-s, S-c-i-a-l-o-m.

5           Q.    Okay.  We're going to get into the  
6       contents of this document.

7           Did you review this document in  
8       preparation?  Are you familiar with it?

9           MS. HARTNETT:  Object to the form.

10          THE WITNESS:  Let me read it real quick  
11       just to see if I did.

12          Okay.

13       BY MS. POUYEMIROU:

14          Q.    Okay.

15          A.    I don't remember -- to answer your  
16       question, I don't remember seeing this in my  
17       preparation.

18          Q.    Okay.  And before this you were talking  
19       about a script that Bashlykov made to remove  
20       copyright information from LibGen; correct?

21          MS. HARTNETT:  Object to the form.

22          THE WITNESS:  To be specific, the data

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1 that Bashlykov was applying the script was to  
2 actual data and not to metadata, which was  
3 separate.

4 BY MS. POUEYMIROU:

5 Q. Okay.

6 A. It was inside of the training data or  
7 proposed training data itself.

8 Q. And was it inside the data because it  
9 was -- because copyright information is inside a  
10 book?

11 MS. HARTNETT: Objection to the form of  
12 the question.

13 THE WITNESS: The data that was removed  
14 included the word "copyright," the word  
15 "acknowledgments," and matches upon phrases and  
16 lines in certain parts of the book that did  
17 that. It was removed because of the technical  
18 risk that was introduced to the model by keeping  
19 that data in.

20 BY MS. POUEYMIROU:

21 Q. So the removal of that copyright  
22 information facilitated training of the model?

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1 MS. HARTNETT: Objection to the form.

2 THE WITNESS: The removal of that data  
3 kept there from being additional noise  
4 introduced from repetitive phrases and from  
5 things that would introduce other noise or  
6 problems into the model itself.

7 BY MS. POUEYMIROU:

8 Q. And would you say that removal of that  
9 facilitates training?10 A. Removal of that data is one step in the  
11 data cleanup phase, which is one of many pieces  
12 to facilitate training.13 Q. Okay. So in the opening of this  
14 document, you have Sergey Edunov and Melanie  
15 Kambadur noted.16 And what I was hoping you could explain  
17 is what is meant by this specific language: "We  
18 need to make sure source metadata does not cause  
19 problems in training, stability, performance or  
20 leakage of sensitive info. We have experimental  
21 data now showing basically no negative effects  
22 for the v1 unhashed source metadata, but since

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1 this is small-scale, noisy evals, it's  
2 unfortunately not 100 percent conclusive.  
3 Intuitively, adding 5 to 10 percent to token  
4 size could be a risk."

5 And this is the sentence in particular  
6 I'm interested in: "Also, unhashed source  
7 metadata is not acceptable from an IP-brand  
8 safety leakage perspective IMO. We have to be  
9 basically 100 percent confident no one can  
10 extract this data, and based on previous  
11 memorization work, I do not think we can be."

12 So can you walk me through what they're  
13 talking about.

14 MS. HARTNETT: Object to the form.

15 THE WITNESS: I was trying to find the  
16 exact line.

17 Was that the part from Melanie, or was  
18 that the --

19 BY MS. POUEYMIROU:

20 Q. It looks like -- I mean, it's  
21 "Melanie:" and then @sergeyedunov?

22 MS. HARTNETT: I think she's reading on

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1 (At 1:39 P.M. PST the  
2 deposition of MICHAEL CLARK was  
3 reconvened.)

4 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are now on the  
5 record at 1:39.

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7 EXAMINATION (CONTINUED)

8 BY MS. POUEYMIROU:

9 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Clark.

10 A. Good afternoon.

11 Q. So I wanted to talk about a different  
12 dataset now.

13 A. Okay.

14 Q. I mean, we have been talking about it,  
15 but LibGen.

16 And so last week we looked at a  
17 document that showed it being downloaded October  
18 of 2022.

19 And your testimony today is you don't  
20 know who did that download -- the initial  
21 download of LibGen; is that correct?

22 A. Just to --

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1           Q.     This says, "Decided to go with direct  
2     file upload without using torrents for the  
3     following reasons: Using torrents would entail  
4     seeding the files, sharing the content outside.  
5     This could be legally not okay."

6                   So how did Meta obtain and copy LibGen?

7                   MS. HARTNETT: Object to the form.

8                   THE WITNESS: So I spoke with  
9     Bashlykov. We used libtorrent and the torrent  
10    protocol for downloading. We had tried to  
11    download a few different ways. One of them  
12    included doing it via direct downloads where  
13    there were individually hosted files in  
14    different places and saw many issues with that  
15    where files wouldn't exist, it was too slow or  
16    would error out.

17                  Also tried -- well, actually, the other  
18    only other option was downloading via torrent,  
19    and --

20    BY MS. POUEYMIROU:

21                  Q.     And that's what you did?

22                  A.     That's what we did. And the library

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1 that we used using, LibGen -- sorry --  
2 libtorrent for downloading LibGen, Bashlykov  
3 modified the config setting so that the smallest  
4 amount of seeding possible could occur.

5 Q. What does that mean?

6 A. When you use a torrent protocol, part  
7 of the configuration on how torrents work is you  
8 can only download as long as you offer to  
9 participate in the torrent network in some way,  
10 and seeding means that you have to open up some  
11 amount of sharing of the torrent file while  
12 you're downloading.

13 Q. So why did Meta decide to minimize  
14 seeding the files?

15 Is it because it was concerned that  
16 that was legally not okay, to quote this  
17 document?

18 MS. HARTNETT: Objection to the form.

19 And to the extent it calls for any  
20 attorney-client privilege, please don't reveal  
21 that.

22 THE WITNESS: Yeah, I do not know what